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CPM 154 – Technical Data

General Descriptions:

CPM 154 is manufactured using the particle metallurgy process which produces a uniform distribution of the carbides in this grade, giving CPM 154 better grinding and polishing properties, plus better toughness, than conventional 154 CM, while retaining similar heat treat response and wear properties. CPM 154 offers better corrosion resistance, better edge holding and better toughness than 440C and 154 CM.

CPM 154 can be polished to a mirror finish.

Examples of applications:

Cutlery, bearings, corrosion resistant tooling.

Chemical Composition							
Car	bon Molybde	num Chromium					
1.0	5% 4.00%	14.00%					

Comparison Chart Toughness Edge Retention Corrosion Resistance



Typical Heat Treat Response						
Tempering Temp Degrees F	Austenitizing Temperature / HRO 1900 °F 1950 °F					
As Quenched	62	61				
400	59	59				
600	56	56				
800	56	57				
900	56	58				
1000	54	60				
1050	51	55				
Time at Temperature	30 min.	30 min.				

Surface Treatment

If surface treatments such as CVD, PVD, or nitriding are used, ensure that the coating process temperature is below the tempering temperature. Nitriding or tempering at 900°F or higher may reduce the corrosion resistance of CPM 154 or any other stainless steel.

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Annealing

Heat to 1650 °F, hold 2 hours, slow cool no faster that 25°F per hour to 1200 °F, then furnace cool or cool in still air to room temperature.

CPM 154 can also be cycle annealed by heating to 1600 °F, hold 2 hours, cool to 1300 °F, hold 4 hours, then air cool to room temperature.

Annealed hardness is 235 BHN

Stress Relieving

Annealed Parts: Heat to 1100-1300 °F, hold 2 hours, then furnace cool or cool in still air to room temp. **Hardened Parts:** Heat to 25-50 °F below the original tempering temperature, hold 2 hours, then furnace cool or cool in still air to room temperature.

Hardening

Preheat to 1400 °F. Equalize.

High Heat (Austenitizing)

1900-1950 °F, hold time at temperature 30 minutes.

Quench

Oil or positive pressure (4 bar minimum) to below 125 °F, then air cool to below 125 °F. Quenching between aluminum plates can be used.

Tempering

Temper twice at 400-1200 °F, 2 hours minimum each temper.

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Physical Properties						
Modulus of Elasticity	30 x 10 ⁶ psi	(207 GPa)	Density	0.281 lbs/in ³		
Annealed Hardness	235 BHN		Machinability	75% of O1		

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